

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE
WESTERN DISTRICT OF OKLAHOMA**

**ASHLEY DAWN MARIE
SCHARDEIN,**

Plaintiff,

V.

CORECIVIC INC. et al.,

Defendants.

Case No. CIV-24-952-SM

ORDER

Before the Court is an out-of-time “Joint Motion to Extend Scheduling Order Deadlines.” Doc. 15. The parties submit that “[s]ince the entry of the Court’s Scheduling Order, the parties have continued to engage in written discovery.” *Id.* at 1. They also note that Plaintiff “has been sentenced and is presently incarcerated at the Federal Correctional Institution [in] Waseca, Minnesota.” *Id.* While the Court appreciates the parties working together to move this case along, they may not independently extend the scheduling order deadlines by agreement. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 16(b)(4). The joint motion before the Court was filed a month **after** the first deadline to file witness lists and expert reports. *See* Doc. 14. The deadline for Plaintiff to file a final exhibit list also passed before the parties filed this motion.

The Court admonishes the parties to heed the Federal Rules and this Court's Local Rules. This Court's Rules require "an explanation why the act

was not done within the originally allotted time.” LCvR6.3. The Federal Rules require a showing of “good cause” for an extension of time and “excusable neglect” if such request is made after a deadline has expired—as the parties have done here. *See* Fed. R. Civ. P. 6(b). Moving forward, the Court will not tolerate the parties’ blatant disregard for the rules.

Still, seeing no practical reason to deny the joint motion to extend deadlines, the Court **GRANTS** the motion **IN PART**. The Court cautions the parties, however, that any further motions must be filed before a deadline has passed and in accordance with the Federal Rules and this Court’s Local Rules.

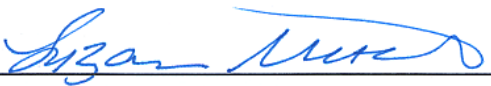
The Court grants the parties a ninety-day extension of the scheduling order deadlines, rather than the requested 120-day extension. This case involves two Defendants and two claims, and the parties are represented by experienced counsel.

The Court modifies the scheduling order as follows:

Event	New Deadline
Plaintiff to file a final list of expert witness(es) and submit expert reports to Defendant(s) and file a final list of witnesses, together with addresses and a brief summary of expected testimony where a witness has not already been deposed	08/04/2025
Defendant to file a final list of expert witness(es) and submit expert reports to Plaintiff and file a final list of witnesses (as described above)	08/19/2025

Plaintiff to file a final exhibit list	08/19/2025
Defendant to file objections to Plaintiff's final exhibit list, under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(3)(B)	09/03/2025
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Plaintiff to file objections to Defendant's final exhibit list, under Fed. R. Civ. P. 26(a)(3)(B)	09/18/2025
All dispositive and Daubert motions to be filed by:	09/01/2025
Discovery to be completed	10/03/2025
Designations of deposition testimony to be used at trial to be filed	12/01/2025
Objections and counter-designations	10 days thereafter
Objections to counter-designations	7 days thereafter
Highlighted copy of deposition transcript(s)	7 days thereafter
Motions in limine to be filed	12/01/2025
Responses to motions in limine	14 days thereafter
Requested voir dire to be filed	12/01/2025
Trial briefs (optional unless otherwise ordered) to be filed	12/01/2025
Requested jury instructions to be filed	12/01/2025
Proposed final pretrial report, approved by all counsel, and in full compliance with Local Rules (see Appendix IV), together with a proposed order approving the report, to be submitted to the Court	12/01/2025
Trial docket	January 2026

SO ORDERED this 10th day of June, 2025.


 SUZANNE MITCHELL
 UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE